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11                   **STATUS REQUEST**

12                   To:       Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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16                   This application was filed on 8/11/2000. Applicant is expecting a non-final  
17                   office action per the examiner for this case. Please inform us as to the status of  
18                   this office action and when it may be expected.

19                   Respectfully submitted,

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